

MY OWN UFO ENCOUNTERS

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Intro

The following story, at least the one from the [mid 1990s](#), was buried deep inside one of the UFO-related articles from 2016 to 2024. Maybe it is about time it is put more to the forefront. In 2020 the U.S. government formally released and acknowledged the authenticity of the "FLIR.mp4," "GOFAST.wmv" and "GIMBAL.wmv" videos ¹ And even Shaq is talking about having not seen a UFO, but a typical "flying saucer". ² And it's not like there's aren't a [huge a mount of peculiar sightings going back 1940s](#). So how can I be left behind?

These are just a few of my experiences. Most are very old for me, so maybe it's about time I wrote them down somewhere. It is, in fact, only a small part of all my "weird experiences", but all those other, mainly more recent, ones are being kept behind lock and key for the time being. With all the [search engine](#), [social media](#) and other censorship and disinformation going on, there's no point in publishing any of it here. The

ratio of honest, curious people versus national security-tied thieves, trolls and disinformers is just way too low at the moment.

You actually used to have forums to share discussions like these. But "free speech zones" in society are dangerous. They always are infiltrated and overseen by the above elements, followed by leaders of the local, national "[rent-a-skeptic](#)" chapters flocking in.³ Hence, I'll just write down the story here. So Google and increasingly other search engines can censor it.

I'm not expecting anyone to believe anything of what I write here. I don't believe Shaq. I don't *not* believe him either. I'm just encouraging people that are interested to try and get their own experiences. That's almost the only thing that counts.

This page actually is a miniature [Coast to Coast AM](#) broadcast - except it's a truthful one. Maybe it's also the first article, except the [UFO press reports oversight](#), for a Supernatural Research Center that has been planned for ISGP for over a decade.

Late 1980s: dancing lights

My first experience I can't be 100% certain actually occurred. It would be one of the first experiences I can remember:

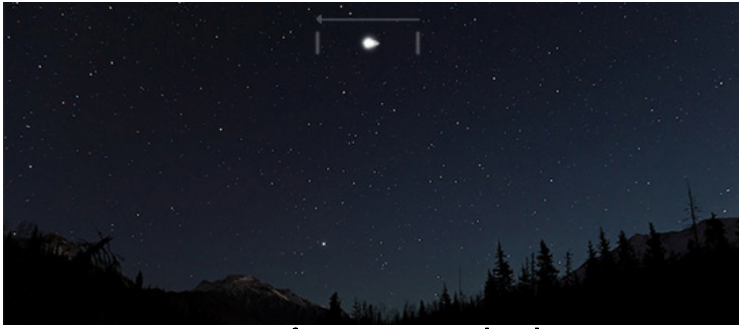
I still have this memory of maybe being 5 to 7 years old and being on a camping trip with other kids. My family was there as well. It's night time. I'm lying on my back, looking at the stars. I'm pretty sure I was looking for something "out there". I see two of the "stars" moving. They are swirling and dancing around each other, moving in front of the "other" stars.

I'm mesmerized by it and think of pointing it out to others. But already at this age, somehow, I'm worried that I sound crazy and don't mention it to anyone.

Mid 1990s: a strange "comet"

The following experience I'm 100% certain of:

Back when I was a 13- or 14-year-old kid, camping with my parents in the south of France, I sat down on a chair in the middle of the night, in front of my tent. Having seen plenty of falling stars in my life, I was looking to see something way more interesting: a UFO!



Reconstruction of my own experience in the mid 1990s.

It was just past midnight. The whole camping, situated on a mountain, had gone to sleep. Everything was dead silent. No falling stars could be seen, no planes, barely any clouds, nothing - for about 10 minutes. Then, whoosh! The light you see above appears at the **exact** center of my vision for just a second. It's 50 times larger than any asteroid streak I've seen and it's fully horizontal. It has nothing in common with an asteroid sighting. Or a plane or helicopter sighting for that matter.

Hyper-excited, I run to the caravan (trailer if you will) of my parents, but decide I want to see it again--just to be sure--before waking them up and dragging them outside. So I sit down again. Instantly again: Whoosh! The exact same thing for just a second, and again in the exact center of my vision.

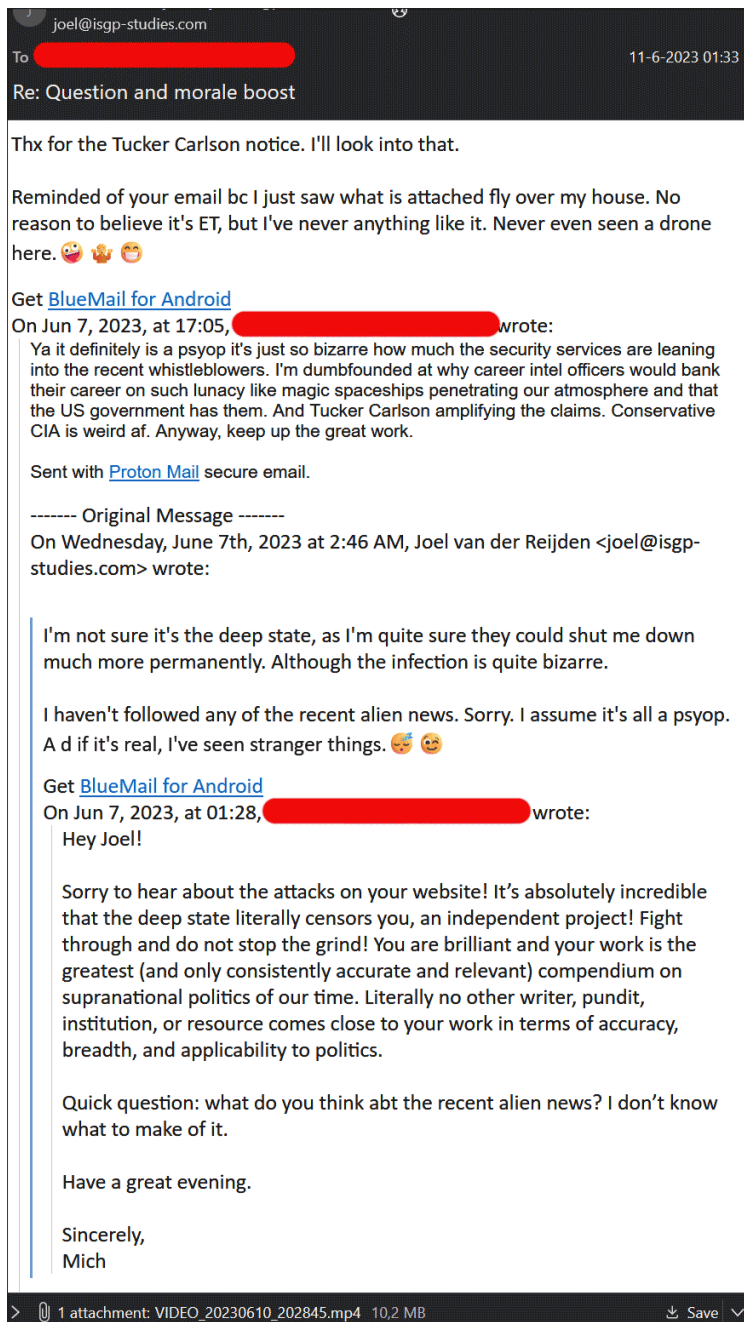
I run back to the caravan again. Again I stop and mentally go: I need to see this again before waking them up. I sit there for another 10 minutes: nothing anymore.

I've sometimes tried to see something at night on other occasions, by making a mental connection of sorts and waiting for a few minutes. I've never seen anything anymore though. Maybe some day I'll try again, more seriously - if I ever get a little bit of a remote location again.

June 10, 2023: "something" over my house

Maybe the following event should be listed in an appendix, or not at all, but I've got to back it up somewhere. So why not here?

On June 7, 2023 I received a friendly email in which someone also asked me about the recent congressional UFO hearings at that time. Rational, polite questions about that subject are quite rare. In the mean time I have researched these (bogus) [hearings](#) and wrote a section on it in the [Coast to Coast AM article](#) - but at the time of the email I was preoccupied with other things and just blew it off, even semi-bragging that *"I've seen stranger things"*.



Well, three days after replying to that email, I look out the window and see a silver object with lights fly towards my house. I'm instantly intrigued by it, run to get my phone and, as can be seen [in the video](#), am just in time to capture the object flying over my house.



[Click here for video](#)

What was it? I don't know. It's an "unidentified flying object" (UFO). There didn't seem to be much wind that day, but it must be said, it exactly came from where the wind was coming from in those hours, which was a rare northern direction. Also the sunlight would roughly have come from about 45-60 degrees to the front-right of the object, so the lights could be sunlight reflecting off it.

It should be clear that any skeptic would instantly dismiss it as a likely piece of tinfoil or a kite. If it moved sideways, it would be dismissed as a drone. All fine, I don't agree or disagree with it. I just found it interesting enough to log here. I've lived in this part of town all my life and never seen anything flying around worth picking up my phone for, except on this occasion.

Conclusion: Get your own experiences

The [first experience](#) is too uncertain. The [2023 experience](#), who knows, maybe it was a tinfoil kite. The 1994 experience though is high strangeness - even though only to me personally. But based on that experience in particular, the logical advice here seems to be: go out and get your own experiences.

Despite the fact that [Steven Greer](#) with his CSETI events, and anybody involved in [crop circle hoaxing](#) (where small orbs of a different kind regularly are reported) [is a disinformant](#), they seem to be right about one thing: the orb phenomenon can interact with people on a one-to-one basis.

Although there's always some doubt that I may have been mistaken - twice within a minute - to me it also seems clear evidence that some kind of intelligence "out there" can communicate with people individually under the right circumstances. I say: Go out into the wild at night and try it yourself. I doubt there's any need for meditation protocols. Maybe it

helps to set an intent and connect, but in the end it seems what you mainly need is pure intentions and a natural curiosity. That's what did it for me.

Notes

1. April 29, 2020, CNN, 'Pentagon officially releases UFO videos'.
2. May 18, 2021, Jimmy Kimmel Live, 'Shaq on Kobe's Hall of Fame Induction, Seeing a UFO & Most Expensive Thing He Ever Bought a Stranger'.

3. SOME EXAMPLES:

*) Conspiracy forums speak for themselves. It's just an endless stream of disinformation. In 2005 I briefly tried discussing on the forums attached to Letsroll911.org about 9/11 and was bullied out in minutes by all the no-plane pushers that formed one block to attack you.

*) Every Reddit conspiracy forum has superadmins that have always strenuously blocked any posts about ISGP, preferring talk about chemtrails and other cookie-cutter disinformation. There are lots of complaints about a lack of freedom on Reddit.

*) Jan. 19, 2015, Omroep Brabant, 'Medium Robbert van den Broeke ontkent versturen gruwelijke foto's en bedreigingen: 'Dit ben ik niet': *"Constantia Oomen ... for years has been critical of the work of [prominent fake crop circle medium and media darling] Van den Broeke, is also involved in Stichting Skepsis [Skepsis Foundation] and at internet forums, such as Fok.nl [the largest Dutch forum] very critical of the West-Brabant medium."*

*) Already in the 2000s I personally saw 9/11-no-planers and other disinformers active at the largest Dutch youth forum, forum.fok.nl, being opposed by similarly extremist "sektics", some of them, as it turns out, attached to the Skepsis Foundation. Together they sabotaged every "alternative" discussion before it started. *) The comment section of Nu.nl, the Netherlands' largest news site, is super-heavily monitored for "anti-racism" and anything "anti-globalist" and even damaging to the government (this author tested with video-camera in hand), to the point it is engaging all-out psywar. More on that will be posted on this site later.

*) Looking at the Daily Mail's comment section, it should be called the Daily Hatemail. It's loaded with negative "alt-right" and even pro-government trolls. However, as a test, factual anti-immigration comments from this author were blocked from ever appearing.